HONGKONG, TUESDAY, DECEMBER 30, 1884.

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AUSTRALIA, TASMANIA, AND NEW ZEALAND: -Gordon & Goton, Melbourne and Sydney. SAN FRANCISCO and American Ports generally: BEAN & BLACK, San Fran-

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Banks.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

RESERVE FOR EQUALIZATION \ \$ 400,000 OF DIVIDENDS,..... Reserve Liability of Pro- \$7,500,000

COURT OF DIRECTORS. Chairman A, P. McEwen, Esq. Deputy Chairman-Hon, F. D. Sassoon. C. D. BOTTOMLEY, | M. GROTE, Esq. H. Horrius, Esq. H. L. DALRYMPLE, Hon, W. KESWICK. A. McIver, Esq.

W. H. Forbes, Esq. M. E. Sassoon, Esq. this date. OHIEF MANAGER. Hongkong Thomas Jackson, Esq. MANAGER.

Shanghai, Ewen-Cameron, Esq. LONDON BANKERS .- London and County

HONGKONG. INTEREST ALLOWED. AN Current Deposit Account at the rate of 2 per cent, per annua on the daily

balance. For Fixed Deposits:— For 3 months, 3 per cent, per annum, 4 per cent. " ő per cent. 🚊

LOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED. Credits granted on approved Securities, and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted. Drafts granted on London, and the chief Commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan.

Chief Manager, Hongkong, August 25, 1884.

T. JACKSON,

NOTICE.

TOULES OF THE HONGKONG SAVINGS' BANK.

1.—The business of the above Bank will be conducted by the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, on their premises in Hongkong. Business hours

2.-The Assets of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation will form a direct security for the repayment of sums deposited in the above

3.—Sums less than \$1, or more than \$250 at one time will not be received. No depositor may deposit more than \$1,500 in any one year. 4.—Deposits may be on behalf of relations, of trusts, &c., in addition to the deposi-

tor's own account. 5.-Persons desirous of saving sums less than a dollar may do so by affixing

clean ten-cent stamps to a form to be obtained at the Bank or at the Post Office. When the form is presented with ten clean stamps the depositor will be credited one dollar. 6.—Depositors in the Savings' Bank having

\$100 or more at their credit may at their option transfer the same to the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation on fixed deposit for 12 months at 5 per cont. per annum interest. 7 -Deposits may be forwarded from the Ports by means of clean Hongkong Postage Stamps of any values.

8.—Interest at the rate of $3\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. per Issue, Nur annum will be allowed to depositors on produced. their daily balances. 9.—Each Depositor will be supplied gratis

with a Pass-Book which must be presented with each payment or withdrawal. Depositors must not make any entries themselves in their Pass-Books but should send them to be written up at least twice a year, about the beginning of January and beginning of July.

10.—Covers containing Pass-Books, Registered Letters containing Stamps or other Remittances, and generally, correspondence as to the business of the Bank will, if marked On Hongkong Savings' Bank Business, be forwarded free of Postage or Registration Fees by the various British Post Offices in Hongkong and China.

11.-Withdrawals may be made on demand but the personal attendance of the depositor or his duly appointed agent, and the production of his Pass-Book are necessary,

12.-All documents connected with the business of the Savings' Bank are exempt from stamp duty.

For the HONGRONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION,

T. JACKSON, Chief Manager.

Hongkong, April 25, 1884.

117ITH Reference to the above, BUSI VV NESS will be Commenced on the

1st May, 1884. For the Hongkong & Shanghai Banking CORPORATION, T. JACKSON,

Whief Manager. Holgkong, April 25, 1884.

號十三月二十年四十八百八千一英 Bank.

THE NEW ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION, LIMITED.

(Incorporated in London on 18th July, 1884, under the Compaines Acts 1862, to 1883.) LONDON BANKERS:

UNION BANK OF LONDON, LD. BANK OF SCOTLAND, LONDON. TATES OF INTEREST ALLOWED ON DE-

At 3 months' notice 3 % per Annum.

Current Accounts kepts on Terms which may be learnt on application. J. MELVILLE MATSON, Manager.

Hongkong, September 15, 1884. 1556

Notices of Firms.

NOTICE.

HAVE Admitted Mr. NOORMA HOMED JAIRAZBHOY PEER-BHOY, as a PARTNER in my Firms, carried on at Bonsay, Honokono and Shanchai, in my own Name, from Kartak 1884), and the said Firms will henceforth be designated and carried on under the Style of 'JATRAZBHOY PEERBHOY & Co.'

JAIRAZBHOY PEERBHOY. Bombay, November 10, 1884.

NOTICE. WITH Reference to the above, Mr. JAFFERBHOY KHETSEY is authourised to Sign our Firms in China from

JAIRAZBHOY PEERBHOY & Co. Hongkong, December 8, 1884.

Intimations.

AUSTRO-HUNGARIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

TROM the 1st of January, 1885, the Undersigned will TAKE CHARGE of the above Company's AGENCY here. By Order of the Board of Directors,

O. BACHRACH, $Agent_{i}$ Hongkong, December 29, 1884.

BANK HOLIDAY.

TN Accordance with Ordinance No. 6 of 1875, the Undermentioned BANKS will be CLOSED for the Transaction of Public Business, on THUKSDAY, the 1st

For the 'Chartered Mercantile Bank of India, London and China,' JOHN THURBÚRN, Manager. For the 'Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China. T. H. WRITEHEAD, Acting Manager. For the 'Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation.'

T. JACKSON, Chief Manager. For the 'Comptoir d'Escompte de Paris," J. ARRANGER, Agent. on week-days, 10 to 3: Saturdays, 10 | For the New 'Oriental Bank Corporation, Limited.

J. MELVILLE MATSON, Manager. Hongkong, December 29, 1884. 2192 NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

CHAREHOLDERS in the COMPANIA NAVIERA DE FILIPINAS OF MANILA are requested to communicate with the Undersigned.

DUNN, MELBYE & Co. Hongkong, December 13, 1884. 2100 NOTICE.

ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION IN LIQUIDATION.

LL HOLDERS of NOTES of the ORIENTAL BANK CORPORA-TION (HONGKONG BRANCH), are hereby requested to present them to the LIQUIDAross of the Bank, when they will be given

in Exchange, a certificate of the value of The Hotel also contains handsome and the Notes deposited. Holders of Nores will be required to Furnish to the LIQUIDATORS of the Bank, The Hotel is unsurpassed for comfort, cona schedule in duplicate, giving the date of Issue, Number and Amount of each Note

Continental languages are spoken. Forms of Schedule may be had on application at the Office of the Oriental Bank Corporation, Queen's Road, Hongkong.

For the OFFICIAL LIQUIDATOR OF THE OBJECTAL BANK CORPORATION.

By his Attorneys, J. MELVILLE MATSON, H. HOWARD TAYLOR. Hongkong, August 2, 1884.

Is not possible when the blood is impure, and recovery from any eliment must be slow and uncertain while that condition continues. The Blood may be corrupted by the taint of Hereditary Screenly, and the poisons of Mercurlai and Contagious Diseases, and also by impurities implanted in it through excesses in Ilving, improper food, derangement of the digestive and assimilatory organs, and other causes. The first external evidences of such relation are Blackheads, Pimples, Sties, Eruptions, and floils. Yet more scrious are the symptoms showing its internal effects in depleasion of the Spirits, Lassitude, Weariness without effort, Headaches, Dizziness, and enfeeded circulation. Be warned in time!

Ayer's Sarsaparilla Is the only medicine that will thoroughly purify the blood. In initions of cases, during nearly forty years in which it has been the best hope of humanity suffering from viliation of the life-turrent, it has effected cures beyond the power of any other remedy. Leading physicians know its composition from the most powerful niteratives, diuretics, and ionics, and presented it in their practice.

PREPARED BY Dr. J. C. Ayer & Co., Lowell, Mass. Gold by all druggists; Price \$1; aix bottles for \$5.

Agents for HONGRONG, CHINA AND MANILA. A. B. WATSON & Co.

For Sale.

YEAR DINNERS.

COSAQUES & CRACKERS.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.

Hongkong, December 27, 1884.

EX STEAMSHIP GLENCOE. - ADIES' BLACK SPUN SILK JERSEYS. LADIES' BLACK SILK JERSEY GLOVES. LADIES' LIGHT-COLOURED SILK JERSEY GLOVES. BLACK SPANISH LACE FLOUNCING for Evening Dresses, 30 inches wide. 29th Instant. LADIES' BLACK LISLE THREAD HOSE A few NOVELTIES in LADIES' EVENING SHOES.

BLACK AND COLOURED RIBBONS, all widths. Best Quality EAU DE COLOGNE. GENTLEMEN'S TENNIS SHOES, all sizes. GENTLEMEN'S PRIMROSE AND WHITE KID GLOVES, 2 Buttons. N.B .- The Princose Kid Gloves for Gentlemen are a speciality for evening wear. Me. In accordance with the usual custom our Store will be CLOSED on NEW YEAR'S DAY. W. POWELL & Co.

Hongkong, December 29, 1884.

ROBERT LANG & Co.,

Tailors, Hosiers, Shirtmakers & General Outsitters,

QUEEN'S ROAD, OPPOSITE HONGKONG HOTEL.

Superfine BLACK CLOTH DRESS

THIRTY DOLLARS.

Hongkong, November 20, 1884.

Intimations.

VICTORIA HOTEL,

Praya and Queen's Road Central,

THIS extensive and well-appointed

establishment, situated in one of the

most central and airy positions in the

Colony and commanding a splendid civw of almost the entire harbour and within

five minutes' walk of the principal Gov-

ernment Offices (including the Post

Office), Banks, &c., has recently been

much enlarged and improved and is now

and have just been refurnished in a

most comfortable and handsome manner,

suited to the requirements of the Fur

one of the principal Hotels in the place.

The Rooms are spacious, well ventilated

The accommodation and service of every

An ample and varied TABLE D'HOTE is

cious, large Dining Hall.

venience and quick service.

and Smoking Rooms.

always provided and served in the spa-

comfortable reception, Reading, Billiard

MESSRS. DORABJEE AND HING KEE,

PROPRIETORS.

HONGKONG AND CHINA GAS COM

PANY, LIMITED.

Instant until the 8th Proximo, both days

MANILA CIGARS.

WE HAVE Received a Large Stock of our 'Special Viguenos' and then

can now be PURCHASED of the following

CANTON, FOOCHOW, SHANGHAI, HANKOW,

TIENTEIN AND MANILA,-

A. S. WATSON & Co.

*Swatow, -Measrs, QUELCH & Co.

AMOY,-Mr. N. MOULLE.

NOTICE.

THE attention of Connoisseurs in

MANILA CIGARS is invited to our

Stock of 'SPECIAL VIGUEROS,' a smoke

made to our order from the Finest Leaf

Tobacco of the Philippines. In Boxes of

Hongkong, November 3, 1884,

A. S. WATSON & Co.

Hongkong, December 5, 1884.

Hongkong, December 18, 1884.

Agents:-

100 price \$3.50.

HENRY R. H. MARTIN,

Manager.

Hongkong, September 15, 1884.

kind will be found to be of the best des-

Intimations.

CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS. TN accordance with Section 120 of the

Articles of Association, the General Agents, with approval of the Consulting Committee, will, on 1st January, 1885, issue INTEREST WARRANTS of \$5 per Share, payable at the Hongkong & Shanghai Bank, the same being at the rate of 10 % per annum on the Paid-up Capital of the Office for the year 1884, and notice is hereby given that in order that the same may be adjusted, the Transfer Books of the Office will be CLOSED from the 18th to 31st Instant, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Agents, CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE.

Hongkong, December 13, 1884.

WILLIAM DOLAN, SAIL-MAKER & SHIP-CHANDLER, 22, PRAYA CENTRAL.

MOTTON DUCKS, HEMP CANVAS. MANILA ROPE, AMERICAN OAKUM, LIFE BUOYS. CORK JACKETS, &c., &c., &c.

Hongkong, May 1, 1882.

NOTICE.

TIME MITSU BISHI MAIL S.S. Co. having taken over the NAGASAKI

DOCK, SLIP and ENGINEERING WORKS, are now prepared to Dock and REPAIR VESSELS, at moderate terms, The DOCK is one of the largest and best in the East, being 431 feet long and 89 feet broad, and having a depth of water 1285 THE Transfer BOOKS of this Company on blocks at spring tides of 27 feet and will be CLOSED from the 23rd neap tides 22 feet. The SHOPS contain Machine-tools of all

descriptions and compound Engines up to 1,000 horse-power. The heaviest-class of work can be undertaken at the shortest Powerful lifting SHEARS are being

For further Particulars, apply to H. J. H. TRIPP, Agent.

Hongkong, December 18, 1884.

D. K. GRIFFITH & Co. N/FANUFACTURERS OF THE LONDON. ÆRATED WATERS. Have REMOVED from the BEACONSFIELD

ARCADE to larger Premises 1, DUDDELL STREET, Where they continue to Supply: WATER, LEMONADE. GINGERADE, RASPBERBYADE.

SARSAPARILLA II &c., &c., &c. At the same Moderate Charges,

D. K. GRIFFITH, Proprietor. Hongkong, July 28, 1884.

PUBLIC AUGTION.

Auctions.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to Sell by Public Auction, on WEDNESDAY.

the 31st December, 1884, at 2 p.m., at the ICE HOUSE, Ice House Lane,-SUNDRY HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, &c.,

comprising :-

CRETONNE-COVERED DRAWING-ROU MARBLE-TOP SIDE TABLES, WHATNOTS, ly. Possession from 1st November next. PICTURES, MIRRORS, CLOCKS, VASES and Ornaments.

DINING TABLE, SIDEDOARD, CHAIRS, CROCKERY, GLASS and PLATED WARE, LAMPS, WRITING DESKS and COPYING PRESS, DOUBLE IRON BEDSTEAD, TEAKWOOD Double-Winged Wardrobe, Toiler Table and GLASS, and MARBLE-TOP WASHSTAND. A COTTAGE PIANO in Rosewood Case, by Smith, London,

A HAMMERLESS GUN in LEATHER CASE, with IMPLEMENTS, by WEBLEY.
A SPORTING CARBINE, with Ba-YONEY, by WEBLEY, and SUNDRY OTHER SHOOTING GEAR, CARTRIDGES, &c.

THE HOUSE BOAT WILD DUCK. THE YACHT THISTLE, Complete, with all GEAR, &c., as she lies off the City

Catalogues will be issued, and the whole to be on view on and after Monday, the

TERMS OF SALE. —As customary. J. M. ARMSTRONG, $oldsymbol{A}uction eer.$ Hongkong, December 26, 1884.

> For Sale. FOR SALE.

EXTRA FINE QUALITY FRENCH BUTTER, BRAND 'DUC DE NORMANDIE,'

-THE OLDEST BUTTER Packing Establishment in Normandy. IN 11b tine and Cases of 48 tine each. Sold in Quantities of not less than one dozen tins, at \$6 per Dozen.

Reduction made to Purchasers of one case and upwards. G. R. LAMMERT,

Sole Agent. Hongkong, October 4, 1884. FOR SALE.

TULES MUMM & Co.'s CHAMPAGNE, Quarts......\$20 per Case of 1 doz. Pints......\$21 1 Dubos Frères & de Gernon & Co.'s

BORDEAUX CLARETS AND WHITE WINES. 1959 Baxter's Celebrated 'Barley Bree' WHISKY,-\$7∄ per Case of 1 doz. GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.

Hongkong, July 18, 1884.

SEE WOO, TAILOR, DRAPER & OUTFITTER, No. 55, Queen's Road Central, Hongkong. HAS NOW LANDING, FOR SALE: A LL Kinds of Autumn and Winter A woollen cloths. DAMASK, REP, and CRETONNES for Curtains and Covering Furniture.

Christy's Gentlemen's New Zephyr Black, Drab, and Brown FELT HATS. All Sorts of Fancy and Black SILK SCARVES, TIES, White DRESS TIES. WOOLLEN WRAPPERS, Coloured and White KID GLOVES. WOOLLEN and MERINO UNDER SUITS and SOCKS. White TABLE CLOTHS, NAPKINS, SILK & CAMBRIC HANDKERCHIEFS,

and TOWELS. Best Kinds of TOILET PERFUMES and SOAPS. DAWSON'S BOOTS, SHOOTING BOOTS. SHOES and TENNIS SHOES, &c., &c.

AT LOW PRICES. Hongkong, October 25, 1884. FOR SALE.

OURSE, DISTANCE, AVERAGE SPEED TABLES. LONDON, via THE SUEZ CANAL,

India, China, Japan, &c., VARIOUS OTHER TABLES AND NOTES W. A. GULLAND.

To be obtained at the 'CHINA MAIL' OFFICE. Mesers. LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. FALCONER & Co. Hongkong, September 2, 1884.

MANTONESE MADE EASY'-A U Book of SIMPLE SENTENCES in the CANTONESE COLLOQUIAL with Free and Literal Translations; and Directions for Rendering English Grammatical Forms into Chinese and vice versd .- Price, \$2. Interleaved Copies, \$2.50.

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'We most cordially recommend it.'-China Review. 'Will be found to supply s want long felt by students of Cantonuse. —Daily Press. 'Mr. Ball's Notes on Classifiers and Grammar will be found very valuable.'-China Mail.

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The Sentences given appear to be well arranged.'-China Mail. Contains a wide range of subjects.'-Chinese Recorder, de. 'An extensive Vocabulary.'-Daily

FOR SALE at Messre. Kelly & Walsh's, W. BEEWER'S, and LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.'s, Hongkong; and at Messra. Trübner & Co.'s, London. \ Hongkong, January 23, 1884.

日四十月一十年中甲

To Let.

CUNNYSIDE TO LET, from 1st D January, 1885.

Apply to J. J. FRANCIS. Hongkong, December 10, 1884. TO LET.

OS. 1 and 6, RICHMOND TERRACE, Bon-N han Road. The Premises lately occupied by Messrs.

SAVIE & Co. ('VICTORIA EXCHANGE') in Queen's Road, with Dwelling-house above and Godown on Ground-floor. To be let CENTRE TABLE, TEARWOOD CARINET, either in conjunction with Store or separate-H. A. WOOLNOUGH,

Hongkong Dispensary. Hougkong, October 11, 1884. TO LET.

THE DWELLING HOUSE, No. 3E, CAINE ROAD. Pessession from 1st January, 1885. Apply to

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co. Hongkong, December 23, 1884. 2164 TO LET.

COLLEGE CHAMBERS, (late Hotel DE L'UNIVERS), Single ROOMS VITES OF APARTMENTS. No. 18, HOLLYWOOD ROAD. No. 256, PRAYA CENTRAL. No. 44, GRAHAM STREET.

DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co. Horgkong, December 24, 1884. ODOWNS-TO LET.

PRAYA EAST AND WANCHAI ROAD. For Particulars, apply to SIEMSSEN & Co. Hongkong, April 26, 1882. STORAGE.

1 OODS RECEIVED on STORAGE in Commodious and well ventilated GODOWNS on his New Premises in DUDDELL STREET, next to the ORIENTAL BANK.

G. R. LAMMERT.

Shipping. Steamers.

Hongkong, December 27, 1884.

FOR YOKOHAMA AND HIOGO. Benlaria

for the above Ports is
POSTPONED till Day-The Steamship light on WEDNESDAY, the 31st Instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to B, LIVINGSTON & Co., Hongkong, December 29, 1884. 2193

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES

MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANÇAIS. The Co.'s Steamship Menzalch.

Captain Benois, will be despatched for YOKO-HAMA on WEDNESDAY, the 31st Inst., at Noon. G. DE CHAMPEAUX, Hongkong, December 29, 1884.

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED. FOR SHANGHAL (Taking Cargo d: Passengers at through rates for CHEFOO, HANKOW and Ports

on the YANGTSZE.) Kowshing,

Capt. Webstee, will be despatched as above on The Co.'s Steamship WEDNESDAY, the 31st Inst., at 4 p.m. For Freight or Passage, apply to

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Managers. Hongkong, December 29, 1884. SHIRE LINE OF STEAMERS.

SUEZ CANAL. (Taking Cargo at through rates for NEW YORK.) The Steamship DANCASTER, Commander, will be despatched for

FOR LONDON AND HAMBURG, VIA

For Freight or Passage, apply to ADAMSON, BELL & Co., Agents, Hongkong, December 16, 1884. 2125 FOR LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL. The Steamship

the above Ports on or about the 1st Prox.

For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co. Hongkong, December 27, 1884.

FOR HAVRE AND HAMBURG, VIA SUEZ CANAL. The Steamship Cassandra, Captain Lindemann, will be despatched as above on or about the 10th January, 1885. For Freight or Ressage, apply to

SIEMSSEN & Co., Hongkong, December 15, 1884.

> Sailing Vessels. FOR HONOLULU. The American Barque

Ceylon,
BARSTOW, MEster, will load here
for the above Port, and will have quick despatch. For Freight, apply to

RUSSELL & Co. Hongkong, November 4, 1884.

PRICE, \$2 PER MONTH

Notices to Consignees.

FROM LONDON, PENANG AND SINGAPORE. THE Steamship Glencoc having arrived I from the above Ports, Consignces of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their Goods-with the exception of Opium-are being landed at their risk into the Godowns

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before Noon To-DAY, the 29th Instant. Cargo remaining undelivered after the 5th January, 1885, will be subject to rent.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co. Hongkong, December 29, 188

STEAMSHIP ANADYR. COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

MONSIGNEES of Cargo per Steamships Gange, Investay and Marie, from Londen, Antwerp and Bordeaux, in connection with the above Steamer, are hereby informed that their Goods-with the exception & Opium, Treasure and Valuables-are being landed and stored at their risk at the Com- . pany's Godowns, whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing. Optional Cargo will be forwarded on, unless intimation is received from the Consignees

landed here. the Undersigned. Goods remaining unclaimed after Mon-DAY, the 5th January, 1885, at Noon, will be subject to rent, and landing charges at 1 cent. per package per diem.

recognised.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. G. DE CHAMPEAUX.

Hongkong, December 29, 1884.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES. CONSIGNEES of the following Cargo Lading to the Undersigned for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery. This Cargo has been landed and stored at

Ex Natal. M Y No. 29, one case from Many maigned to Order.

Hongkong, December 13, 1884.

THE STRAITS INSURANCE COM-PANY, LIMITED.

RISKS to all parts of the World, at current ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.

COMPANY. (FIRE AND LIFE.)

CAPITAL, -Two MILLIONS STERLING. THE Undersigned are prepared to grant Policies against the Risk of FIRE on Buildings or on Goods stored therein, on

2189 for their decision. If required, protection will be granted on first class Lives up to £1000 on a Single For Rates of Premiums, forms of pro-

-ud Conditions.

Agents, Hongkong & Canton. Hongkong, January 4, 1867.

THE Undersigned, AGENTS of the above Company, are authorized to Insura against FIRE at Current Rates. GILMAN & Co.

Capt. Donaldson, will be despatched as above on QUEEN FIRE INSURANCE COM: PANY.

> NORTON & Co., Agents. Hongkong, May 19, 1881.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER OF His Majesty King George The First, A. D. 1720.

prepared to grant Insurances as follows:-Marine Department. Policies at current rates, payable either here, in London, or at the principal Ports of India, China and Australia. Fire Department.

Life Department.
Policies issued for sums not exceeding Co,000 at reduced rates.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co. Hongkong, July 25, 1872,

of the Undersigned, whence and/or from the Wharves or Boats delivery may be

No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

NOTICE.

before 5 p.m. To-DAY requesting it to be Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

All Claims must be sent in to me before the 7th January, 1885, or they will not be

their risk and expense. No Fire Insurance has been effected.

G. SE CHAMPEAUX,

Insurances.

THE Undersigned having been appointed . Agents for the above Company are prepared to GRANT POLICIES on MARINE

Hongkong, November 5, 1883. LANCASHIRE INSURANCE

Goods on board Vessels and on Hulls of Vessels in Harbour, at the usual Terms

Proposals for Life Assurances will be received, and transmitted to the Directors posals or any other information, apply to

NORTH BRITISH & MERCANTILE INSURANCE COMPANY.

ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.,

Hougkong, January 1 1882.

THE Undersigned are prepared to accept Risks on First Class Godowns at 1 per cent, net premium per annum.

THE LONDON ASSURANCE

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Corporation are

Policies issued for long or short periods at ourrent rates.

For Sale. MacEWEN, FRICKEL & Co. No. 53, Queen's Road East, (OPPOSITE THE COMMUSTARIAT), ARE NOW LANDING FROM AMERICA -- TRESH ROLL BUTTER. CODFISH, Bonoless. Lambs' TONGUES. Clam OHOWDER. Dried APPLES. SUCCOTASH. Maple SYRUP. Golden SYRUP. Cracked WHEAT. HOMINY. HONEY. 🥕 Queen_OLIVES. AGATE IRON WARE. PAINTS and OILS. CHRISTMAS CAKE PLUM PUDDING. MINOE MEAT. Fine YORK HAMS. PICNIC TONGUES. CLARETS-1RES. GRAVES, TILLADO. (1848). Hunt's PORT. MARSALA. CHARTREUSE. CURACAO.

CLOTH, &c., &c. Just arrived per Glenfallock. Patrons: LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. T. R. H. THE DUKE AND DUCHESS. Hongkong, November 4, 1884. 1865 of Connaught. TOPOCAN Do. Eastern and Californian CHEESE. His Excellency The MARQUIS of Ripon, For Freight or Passage, apply to His Excellency Sir James Fergusson, NOW ON SALE Prime HAMS and BACON. Eagle Brand Condensed MILK. CHINESE DICTIONARY MILL IN BOSSIBLE CIAN Family BEEF in 25 fb kegs. TWO PERFORMANCES, Beau Ideal SALMON in 5 lb cans. UANTONESE DIALECT, en-route, for Shanghai. Cutting's Dessert FRUITS in 21 th cans .-FOR SHANGHAI. Assorted Canned VEGETABLES. DR. E. J. EITEL. THE FIRST PERFORMANCE, Potted SAUSAGE and Sausage will be CROWN OCTAVO, PP. 1018. GILBERT'S CLASSICAL COMEDY. Stuffed PEPPERS. Ports on the YANGTSZE.) Нопиково, 1877-1883. Assorted SOUPS. A-K, ... \$2.50 Richardson & Robbin's Celebrated Potted PYGMALION & GALATEA MEATS. 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PUBLIC AUCTION. THE Undersigned has received instructions to Sell by Public Auction, on MONDAY,

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(For Account of whom it may Concern), 3 Bales each 30-Pairs BLANKETS. 3 do. do. 60 JACKETS 200 Pairs CHINESE SHOES 2 Piculs Best RAW SILK A Quantity of BRASSWIRE and

TERMS OF SALE .- Cash on delivery. G. R. LAMMERT,

Auctioneer. Hongkong, December 30, 1884.

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ARRIVALS.

December 29, 1884 :--Titania, British ship, 879, Wm., Lown send, London August 19, General.—Onder Halloong, British steamer, 277, F. D Goddard, Pakhoi December 26. Hoihow 27, and Macao 29, General.—Douglas

Saltee, British steamer, 252, G. Wright Haiphong December 27, General.-A. R. City of Rio de Janeiro, American steamer,

Wm. B. Cobb. San Francisco November 22 and Yokohama December 23, Mails and General, -P. M. S. S. Co. December 30:-

Zafiro, British steamer, 675, R. Talbot, Manila December 27, General.—Russell & Amoy, British steamer, 814, D'Egville,

Newchwang December 26, General. --SIEMSSEN & Co. Channel Queen, British barque, from Whampoa.

Fooksang, British steamer, from Wham-Namoa, British steamer, 862, Geo. D. Pitman, Foochow December 24, Amoy 26, and Swatow 29, General. - Douglas STEAM-

Chintung, American steamer, 835, Winson, Shanghai December 27, General .--Russell & Co.

DEPARTURES. December 30:-Menclaus, for London. Thales, for Coast Ports, Anna Bertha, for Mantung. Iphigenia, for Swatow. Taichiow, for Swatow. Amou, for Whampoa. Fooksang, for Shanghai. Celebes, for Amoy. Hothow, for Shanghai. Natal, for Europe.

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PASSENGERS.

Per Hailoong, from Pakhei, &c., Mr O. Johnson, and 30 Chinese. Per Saltee, from Haiphong, 4 Chinese. Per City of Rio de Janeiro, from San Francisco, Mr Kinghorn, Miss Alice Kipp, and 669 Chinese in steerage Per Zafiro, from Manila, Mr R. H. Wood, and 100 Chinese. Per Namoa, from Coast Ports, Mr and

Mrs Parker, Capt. Gordon, and Lieut. Vyvyan, 1 European deck, and 203 Chinese. Per Chintung, from Shanghai, 9 Chinese. Per Thules, for Amoy, Mr Nelson; for

Foochow, Mrs H. G. Robertson. Per Glencoe, for Shanghai, 1 European. Per Anna Bertha, for Mantung, 12 Chi-

Per Inigenia, for Swatow, 12 Chinese. Per Taichiow, for Swatow, 100 Chinese. Per Fooksang, for Shanghai, 4 Europeans, and 20 Chinese. Per Celebes, for Amoy, 1 European, and

22 Chinese. To DEPART. Per Electra, for Singapore, 4 Europeans,

and I Chineso. SHIPPING REPORMS

The British steamer Hailoung reports Left Pakhoi on 26th inst., and experienced moderate N.E. winds and fine weather. Left Hoihow on 27th, had fresh Easterly winds and fine weather. Left Macao on 29th, had strong breeze and fine weather. In Holhow, H.B.M.S. Foxhound. The American steamer City of Rio de

Janeiro reports: Left San Francisco on November 22, at 2.15 p.m., had a succession of strong winds and a heavy head sea, the whole passage. Arrived at Yokohama on December 21st, at 8.25 p.m., passage 28 days and 12 hours. Sailed for Hongkong, December 23rd, at 6.15 a.m., had moderate weather most of the time. Arrived Dec. 29th, at 6.30 p.m., passage 6 days and 12

The British steamer Zafiro reports: Had moderate monsoon throughout. The British steamer Namao reports: Left Foothow on the 24th, and Amoy on Foochow, U.S. corvette Junita and gunboat Monocacy, and German steamer Wismar. In Amoy, H.B.M.S. Champion, steamers Pingon and Amoy. In Swatow, H.B.M.S. Esk, steamers Pechili, Chefoo, Phra Chula Chem Klao and Fokien. The American steamer Chintung reports: Left Shanghai at 7 a.m., on 27th inst., had light wind to Lammocks; thence to port

POST OFFICE NOTICES.

MAILS will close:-For YOKOHAMA.-

had fresh Northerly winds.

Per Menzale', on Wednesday, the 31st. inst. Registry ceases at 11.15 a.m. Mail closes at 11.30 p.m. Paid Correspondence may then be posted in the moveable box on board the Packet.

Per Menelaus, at 11.30 p.m., on Wednesday, the 31st inst. For SHANGHAL .-

Per Kowshing, at 3.30 p.m., on Wednesday, the 31st inst. For HOIHOW AND PAKHOI-Per Hadoong, at 5 p.m., on Wednesday,

the 31st inst. For HAIPHONG .-Per Saltee, at 5 p.m., on Wednesday, the 31st inst.

For SHANGHAL. 2nd January. For MANILA AND ILOILO.-

2nd January. HAMA. the 8th January, 1885.

For PORT DARWIN, THURSDAY ISLAND, COOKTÓWN, TOWN-SVILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY & MELBOURNE, ADELAIDE, &c .--Per Airlie, at 3.30 p.m., on Saturday, the 10th January.

MAILS BY THE UNITED STATES PACKET. The United States Mail Packet City of Rio de Janeiro will be despatched on United Mails for Japan, San Francisco, &c., which will be closed as follows :--2.15 P.M. Registry ceases.

2.30 P.M. Post-Office closes, but Correspendence may be posted on board the Packet with Late Fee of 10 cents extra Postage until the time of departure.

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their stay in Hongkong Harbour :-ALDEN BESSE, American barque, Capt. John A. O'Brien.—Melchers & Co. Capt. G. W. David. - Melchers & Co. DANUBE, British steamer, Captain Newton.—Yuen Fat Hong.

FURNESS ABBEY, American barque, Capt. J. T. Marcy,—Adamson, Bell & Co. Ino, German barque, Captain G. Höckelmann.—Wieler & Co. Feargas Skewes. - Order.

MINNIE CARMICHAEL, British barque Capt. T. G. Taylor.—Master. MOUNT LEBANON, British steamer, Capt D. Maxwell.—Borneo Company, Limited. NICOLAS THAYER, Amer. barque, Capt. land tax at the present time. The totals Robert S. Crosbie. - Muster. SAMAR, American ship, Capt. Oliver Jones.—Adamson, Bell & Co. SARAH HIGNETT, American ship, Capt. J Baas.—Arnhold, Karberg & Co.

Soonoo, British barque, Capt. J. Backie. Borneo Company, Ltd. VELOCITY, British barque, Captain R. million taels altogether. This, it Martin.—Pustau & Co.

MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW Shipping.

Daylight.—Benlarig leaves for Yokohama and Hiogo. Noon. - Menzaleh leaves for Yokohama. 4 p.m. - Kowshing leaves for Shanghai. \cdot Auctions.

2 p.m. - Auction of Household Furniture. &c., at the Ice House.

General Memoranda. THURSDAY, (New Year's Day), 1885:-Local Banks close. Monday, January 5:-

11 a.m.—Anction of Sundries at Messrs D. Musso & Co. 's godowns, Praya West. Goods per Steamer Anadyr unclaimed after Noon subject to rent and landing charges at 1 cent per package per diem. Goods per Glencos undelivered after this date subject to rent.

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Hongkong, June 1, 1876. The publication of this issue commenced

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HONGKONG, TUESDAY, DECEMBER 30, 1884.

THE CHINESE REVENUE. II.

THE LAND TAX. In all oriental countries the land tax is regarded as the principal source of the public income. In China in the palmy days of the Kien-lung and Chie Ching period, towards the end of last century, it probably amounted to two thirds of the total revenue, which was then, there is reason to believe. very much greater than it is now. It will be fore, not to be confined to those provinces seen in the sequel that we do not put it | which suffered from the rebellion but to the 26th December; experienced fresh N. at more than one third of the revenue of be due, in part at least, to more general. to N.N.E. winds as far as to Swatow. Left | the present day. Its collection devolves | causes. With the exception of perhaps Swatow on the 29th inst., thence to port on the district magistrates, who levy it the Canton province and Szechnan, which N.N.W. wind and cloudy weather. In directly from the peasantry. For all seem in a tolerably thriving condition, fiscal and judicial purposes the hsien, or | it may be said the whole of the rest of district, is the unit or primary group of the country has fallen off at least 30 per the empire. In every magistrate's cent., and, assuming that about tacks office there is a land registration de- 32,000,000 was a fair average of the partment, where the name of every land- | yield of the land tax in its best days, we owner within his jurisdiction is presumed to be registered, and where at more than Tls. 20,000,000. It has every transfer of land should be record- to be borne in mind that the Governed, to make it legal. As a matter of ment is continually being called upon to fact, this is often not done, and it is said grant remissions to one province or anthe registers in a great many places other on the ground of famine. Very have fallen into the utmost confusion, few years pass without a million taels making it impossible to collect the or more being lost in this way and of taxes to the full extent. That, however, course the average total is reduced by is a detail of practice, and does not affect | that amount

the principle, which is, as we have said, that the records should show how portion of the land tax payable in promuch is leviable, and from whom, on duce, but this is of sufficient importevery acre of cultivated ground. The lance to deserve a separate notice. practical labour of collection is carried out by the underlings of the yamen, assisted by the tepaos, or, in some places by a special class of assistants called

There is no class in China that corresponds to the zemindars or middle-men of India. Persons who are acquainted with the land settlement of Bengal will remember that the Indian Government remined these middle-men, who were. in most cases, the self constituted agents Per Fushin, at 3.30 p.m., on Friday, the of the deposed native princes, for purposes of tax collection, and endeavoured to make a sort of English landlords Per Zafiro, at 3.30 p.m., on Friday, the of them. The result, as we now know, has been that the latter state For NAGASAKI, KOBE, AND YOKO of the ryot, or cultivator, is worse than the first, and that the Indian Go-Per Teheran, at 11.30 a.m., on Thursday, vernment feels itself calle lupon to undo some part of its work by depriving the zemindar of certain rights then conferred upon him, an effect which it is sought to attain by the much discussed Bengal Tenancy Hill: Whether for good or for evil, the Chinese Government has managed to keep clear of this complication. But it would appear that there has been at various times, a tendency to drift into it, because various enactments are to be TUESDAY, the 6th January, with found on the Statute Book making penal for wealthy individuals to try to the States, Canada, Honolulu, Peru, make themselves responsible for the land taxes of their poorer neighbours. This would appear at first a harmless i not a laudable proceeding, looked at from

an official point of view, but when one

inmities, some of the members of which usually hold official rank, can give to a either the Captain, the Agents, nor district magistrate, one can easily see Owners will be Responsible for what the result would have been had any Debt contracted by the Officers or these attempts been allowed by custom Crew of the following Vessels, during to acquire the force of law. The poor cultivator would have been at first induced to put his holding under the wing of his powerful neighbour, in order that ALEXANDER McNeil, American ship, he might be protected against the exactions of the yamen followers; the protector would have paid as much or as little as he pleased in the way of taxes, while on the other hand, he would have been free to turn round on his tenant and extest more and more, as the latter INVINOIBLE, American ship, Capt. J. S. was able to pay. On the whole, we have no doubt the Chinese legislator has been the wiser of the two in rejecting the zemindar system.

Next, in regard to the yield of the

given in the Hwei Tien, which agree very closely with those given in the current red book, or official guide, amount for all the provinces to tack 32,845,474 in silver and 4,356,382 piculs of rice, or, say, in round numbers 40 will be readily granted, is very much over the mark, but how much over, it is not easy to say. It must be much over. because, firstly, the figures are those of the beginning of the century and we know that half the country, and that half too the best cultivated, was overrun by the Tacping rebellion, and two thirds or more of the land in some places was for a number of yearsturned into a wilderness. And, again, because within the last few years numerous memorials have been published from the viceroys and governers with details of their respective circuits, showing that in some places, one half and in others one third of the land is still uncultivated, and that even where cultivation has been resumed the peasantry are so poor that it is impossible to collect the regulation taxes. And without relying on native testimony any one who has travelled much in the central provinces, especially if his recollection or reading can carry him back to the wealth of Soochow and Hangchow before the rebel raid, will readily bear witness to the fact that the country is only beginning to put on the

semblance of its former self. Very few of the memorials published in the Gazette mention the actual outturn of the tax, referring, as they do for the most part, to the quota due to Peking. The Governor of Chekiang, however, writing in 1882 tells us that the land tax for that province is assessed at taels 2,100,000 but the actual yield falls far short of that sum. Now Chekinng in the old assessment stood for thels 2,900,000. There must, therefore, have been a re-assessment after the Taeping rebellion which reduced this was done for Chekiang, it was no doubt also done in the other provinces, which suffered from the rebellion in the same way. If we had the revaluation in print, therefore, we should probably find it reduced all over for the half dozen provinces lying along the Yangtze by at. least one third. Again, in Childi, which did not suffer much from rebels, we find Li Hung Chang reporting in 1878 that his land tax only amounts to taels 000,000 instead of taels 1,300,000, at which it is assessed. So again for Honan the normal levy should be tacls 3,130,000 but we find the Governor complaining that it does not reach taels 2,000,000 in the best of years.' The Governor of Shensi, whose land tax should yield Tls. 1,600,000, complains that he has difficulty in collecting 70 per cent. of that amount; and, similarly, the authorities of Fulkien declare they cannot get more than 80 per cent. of the assessment. The decline appears, therecannot put the return of the present day

There remains to be considered the

TELEGRAMS.

EARTHQUAKES IN SPAIN. LONDON, 29th Dec.

Shocks of earthquake have occurred in Malaga, Granada, and Andalusia. Several towns and villages have been destroyed and one thousand lives lost.

LOCAL AND GENERAL PABSED CANAL:-Castello, Nov. 28; Djemnah, Doc. 15.

The next English Mail, by the P. & O. Co.'s steamer Tasmania, left Singapore on Friday, the 26th inst., at 5 p.m., and may be expected here on or about Friday, the 2nd January.

THE P. M. S. S. Co.'s steamer City of Tokio. with American mail, left San Francisco on the 6th inst. for Yokohama and this port.

The S. S. Nestor left Singapore for this port on the 26th instant. The steamer Taisang, from Calentta, left Singapore for this port on the 27th in

THE delivery of the American mail was ogun at 8.20 this morning.

The dates brought by the American mail

are only one day later than those received rid Suez from England. Some items of news from the San Francisco papers will considers the difficulty which wealthy be found elaswhere.

Chinaman at the Hung-Bam Deck. Some coolies wer employed to take a piece of timber out of a stack and while so occupied log, in falling, struck one of the coolies on the side of the head and shoulders, fracturing his skull and inflicting such severe mediately. The body was sent to the Government Civil Hospital and thence to was announced to be held at the Magistracy, was, it appears, held at the hospital or mortuary this afternoon, upon the body of deceased, when a verdict of accidental death was returned.

A CORRESPONDENT Writes from Shanghai, on

the 25th instant, as follows:-News has reached here from Yunnan that a powder factory has been blown up through the carelessness of one of the workmen, who is said to have ignited the powder by striking fire with a stone whilst driving a nail. This is not the first time that a powder mill has been blown up in Yunnan. Some years ago, the French Missionaries undertook to teach some of their converts to manufacture powder in the foreign style for the Govern- THE Neptune, which has already been ment. They succeeded to a certain extent, and the Viceroy of the Yun Kuei Provinces, who was their patron, was highly pleased, works were blown up. The explosion distroyed the Mission premises, and, the Viceroy having died, the displeased officials did not show any friendliness towards the Missionaries and their converts, and the destruction caused by the Government powder works was left unpaid, and the Missionaries were also deprived of some other place. There are always some clever people to be found in China, who are ever ready to do things cheaper than others. They use bribes to influence the officials in their favour, and when they have secured what they require they then reimburse themselves with interest. No matter how badly things are done, it is impossible to open the eyes of the officials to the fact that the public service is suffering from such undertakings as they are encouraging; they prefer sticking to the things that pay them. I have known powder made in a Province at eleven tael cents a catty, and sold to the Government for eight cents, and sellers make a good profit out of it at that price. The powder was served out to the military officials without stint, and they sold it to the powder contractor for four cents, so he really made it a profitable affair, as the people who sold him the Government powder could not go against him when he delivered short quantities and bad qualities of powder. Ultimately the article supplied became so bad that it would hardly burn when thrown into the fire. The cheapest ingredients were used. issued to the military officials, who us less than a third of the quantity requisitioned and sold the balance to the contractor. The contractor then expanded the powder thus purchased by adulterationuntil the whole of the good powder was exhausted and then he could not afford to work on the same lines as before. refused to pay the squeezes to the military officials. These became dissatisfied. and, on a change of the Governor taking place, the new Governor was apprised in some way of the bad quality of the powder. The contractor was called in and had to explain matters, and he did explain to his great advantage. He explained that he made two qualities of nowder-the one cost fourteen cents a cacty, the other eight. Both were made from the same ingredients, but one was worked only enough to secure a thorough mixture of the ingredients, the other was worked much longer by kia-kung, or would last a long time if kept in a dry place, the second quality could not last so long. per catty for the second quality of powder, and then stored it away in a damp place for months before using, so it deteriorated, and became useless. The military officials this to be a fact, saying the powder proved the ingredients to be good, but as it became useless after a while it was evid-

whichever way the affair turned. brth latitude.

ent that this was owing to insufficient ma-

nipulation, and they strongly advised the

to-procure the best and most lasting qual-

A MITAL accident occurred yesterday to a ASAN Francisco exchange says: It is stated | the Superintendent to watch the progress on the best authority that very few vessels will be laid on with coal at Liverpool or Cardiff, as, owing to the many vessels destroyed during the present year by compulled down another piece which was rest- bustion of the coal, the insurance coming upon the one required. The plank, or panies refuse to take risks on them except at so high a rate that it is not a profitable voyage. This must surely be incorrect.

Six cases of small pox are reported at injuries that the man expired almost im Yokohama from the 13th to 16th instant Several merchants of Yokohama held meeting at the Ken-cho on the 17th instant the mortuary. A Coroner's inquest, which and passed a resolution to raise 3,000 years carry out proventive measures agai, / the | Land, which were in fact nothing but car- charged, on remaid, with stealing a cigar by private subscription for expense pestilence. On the 19th instant a meeting was held at the local board, of health to discuss the necessary steps to prevent the spread of the disease. — Gazette.

> It is exceedingly satisfactory to learn that the full results of the army rifle matches, just announced, show practice of a very high order. There were six matches for the carbine, rifle, and revolver. With the rifle especially the progress, as compared with previous years, is most marked; one described. The ceremony took place in the team of eight non-commissioned officers of the let Battalion Highland Light Infantry, now stationed at Dublin, making the splendid aggregate of 758 points at the of paintings. The bride and groom stood distances of 200,500, and 600 yards, seven

proved to be an exceedingly uncomfortable if not dangerous vessel in a heavy sea, has again been distinguishing herself. While but other officials were not; and one day the the Channel Squadron were being exercised famous Astor silver service, worth \$75,000. at steam tactics about 150 miles from Madeira, she hoisted the signal 'not under control, and reported that her steam steering gear had broken down. After an hour or two's delay, the necessary repairs were completed; but it is by no means pleasant to reflect what the result of these over recurring accidents would be during a naval ongagement.—Truth.

> MADRID, November 21.-The students of the university here are thoroughly aroused against the Bishops for censuring one of the professors for advocating liberty of education. The students made manifest their disapprobation of the Bishops' course collected about the publication offices of of the party. the Carlist journals and threatened to loot them. The police dispersed the young men. Twenty were arrested. Besides the students, several journalists acting with them were arrested on a charge of conspiracy. The students are deeply incensed at the action of the authorities and the kitation continues. Précautions have been taken to prevent a renewal of the disorders.

It was officially announced the other day, | Daring visited us she brought us mails, that the plans are in hand at Woolwich for | but Admiral Lespes would not allow any a 104-ton breech-loading gun, with which of them to be landed, excepting letters one of the ships of the Admiral class is to be armed-probably somewhere about the year 1890. Herr Krupp has just cast same treatment. The British man-of-war at Essen a 30-ton gun for the Italian navy. This competition in armaments is, says Truth, of course, insane and ramous, as the military Powers in Europe have already Tespes is as inexprable as ever he will al discovered. For that reason we should either compete effectively or withdraw altogether. If, when the Italians first mounted a 100-ton gun, we had immediately brought Most of the good powder in stock was out one of 200 tons, the probability is that the challenge would not have been repeated. In a game of mere brag the player with the longest purso and the most resolution may make a certainty of winning if he plays properly; but the way the Admiralty go on only prolongs the struggle indefinitely.

Mn Thomas Sutherland, who has been four. The Chinese are making every prereturned by a large majority for the paration to receive the French when they man, and the Co.-Managing Director of place. Hitherto, they have been short of the Peninsular and Oriental Steam Naviga- arms and ammunition, but the steamer tion Company. He entered the Company's | Waverley, some three weeks ago, managed service as a junior clerk somewhere about to land a considerable supply at one 1850, and shortly after went out to Hong. kong, where, after a time, he became Superintendent. During his stay at Hongkong he served as member of the Legislative Council, and was generally a public man. Among other things he was one of the premoters of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank. He returned to England just after the opening of the Suez Canal, and found shipping in a somewhat disturbed state, which necessitated the entire reorganization of the Company's service both at home and abroad, and also the building of a new fleet of lifty steamers (owing to the openextra-work. The first quality of powder | ing of the Canal increasing the necessity for carrying capacity, and to the introduction The entire of the compound engine,) direction and initiation of this great work The Government paid him only eight cents | fell to him, and it was done with extraordinary rapidity and thoroughness. The fleet of obsolete vessels, valued at £30 per ton, was replaced by new and larger who are very indifferently housed. steamers, which in some years' time appeared at £16.4 in the books. The fleet now stands at 173,000 tons as against who had an eye to the pickings they had 85,000 tons when he took charge. A debeen in the habit of receiving declared benture debt of £800,000 was paid off in six years, &c. ; and the Company's income now averages the sum of £2,300,000 a year. was good enough when delivered, which Since then, Mr Sutherland has continued to be the moving spirit of the Company, and has done little else. He was a leading member of the Conference with M. de Lessens, and has been appointed a Director of the Suez Canal Company. He is a moderate Liberal, but is more of a business Governor to give the highest price in order man than a politician.—Madras Mail.

ity. The Governor followed the advice of THE following description of a cremation his officers and gave the contractor an which recently took place in Baltimore. order for a large quantity of the best pow- appears in an American contemporary :-

der, at fourteen cents a catty, being three 'The building was divided into two cents more than what the former contractor supplied the same powder for. With this furnace and retort. The collin was taken I tom Mi, on the 27th inst. extra twenty per cent. profit, the contract from the hearse and placed on a table artor was enabled to anoint the palms of the officials. The useless powder was con- the undertaker and the body servant. The 27th inst'she was in her house, when the ing in at the double quick, put the desperate Arthur Sullivan. Through the means of same day (the 21st) on which he had left demned and ordered to be destroyed, but it was again sold for about two cents a catty to the same contractor who knew what to prevent the singeing or scoreliber of the sent for a constable. The defendant said he way through a crowd which had gathered by Mr Gilbert, the music by Mr Sullivan. do with it, and he thus made money in body as it was then placed in the eye, was not a thief but had come to save her like magic around the doorway. att iron crib, that is, a frame with small struck her with his fist and kicked her. Quenec, Nevember 21.-In a letter to a slong its entire length, which had jarred him, had pierced the 1882 Miss Finney met in society Lord person worthy of his respect and love; but he BAROMETER 9 A.M... local paper to night retired Paymaster 8, seven feet and it stands on feet about six mistress about 9 p.m. She was lying children's books which he was lying children's books which he was carrying, Garmoyle, the defendant in this action. said that she would not be accepted, look-C. Hill of the Royal navy suggests that the the crib, with the body on it, was rou in, defendant came in and pulled his mistress, ranging upwards towards the peck had who, the jury were aware, had as Lord relations; and, to use his own expression. Dominion propose to the imperial Govern- the door was closed and the process of in- calling out fire. His mistress got up and missed the author artery by about Chancellor held the Great Seal. The acment the transfer of Jamaica to the United cineration at o ce began. About two hours accused him of trying to steal and he ran the sixteenth of an inch, and lodged just quaintance continued for some time; and of others, he must break off the match so States, on condition that the States give and a half after the body had been placed away on to the roof and witness was sent for outside the collar bane. Its location was on the 11th of July, 1883, Lord Gar. seriously and solemnly entered into. Ho made that small part of New York State in the oven the Superintendent informed a constable. On returning with P.C. 5, he pointed out by Mr De Young himself, who movie proposed to Miss Finney, and was so much of Maine as will square the us that the incineration was complete. We saw defendant strike and kick complainant. bore all the probing finger-pushing and accepted by her. The matter was mendian territory by the forty-fifth degree looked through a small hole, placed in the The case was remanded for the evidence cutting necessary to remove the ball with tioned to her mother, and both her Finhey. They might suppose she said the door of the oven for the purpose of enabling of the constable.

of the reduction to nahes, and found his not the least unpleasant odor or anything Ahing, on board the s.s. Thales. and the then ashes, which had fallen wharf. fire bricks) of the oven, a distance of about six feet, were carefully gathered, placed in

metal receiver, which was then covered and carefully and firmly soldered. The bonate of lime, were of course as clean and nice as publics freshly gathered from the laume Sanvlet, on the 25th inst. seaside, all impurity and everything calculated to make a dead body horrible weighed about seven pounds.

features of the Astor wedding are thus upon either of them. art gallery and the ballroom, the walls of which were covered by \$2,000,000 worth between pillars of roses ten feet high. The with the choicest roses, orchide, lilics, violets and rare ferns. Over 10,000 roses were needed. The expense for flowers ran into thousands of dollars. Refreshments were served from a table set with the There were two orchestras, ten pieces each. The presents displayed in one room showed a wonderful variety of silver and gold articles worth \$50,000. The members of the family almost all gave diamonds. The bride's father gave a house on Fifth avenue and \$20,000 a year. The bride groom's father turnished the house at a cost of \$200,000 more. Eight bridesmaids and ushers preceded the bride, who followed on the arm of her father. She were a white satin dress, the creation of Worth. It had a court train. The front band was embroidered in silver with floral designs, and draped with point lace. A pleasant innovation was introduced—a quadrille by the ushers and bridesmaids. Boxes containing cake were distributed among them. by thronging the streets to-day and making Two chain rings made of gold links were tumultuous demonstrations. Large crowds inclosed, which plizes were drawn by two

Affairs in Formosa.

A correspondent in Tameui writes under date of Decr. 21st :-

It is now nearly two and a half months since I have received any news from my friends. The last time H.B.M's gunboat for the Consulate, and to-day (Sunday, Decr. 21st) we have had a repetition of the Champion arrived off the port this forenoon bringing a large mail for us, but Admiral low none but Consular letters to be landed So you can imagine our feelings. She (the Champion) goes away this afternoon. I avail myself of the opportunity to drop you this hurried scrawl.

Ever since the late engagement, the Chinese and French have kept very quiet. There are always one or two vessels on guard oif the harbour-to-day there are borough of Greenock, is the present Chair- make their next attempt to land at this the non-treaty ports along the The bulk of this supply has been sent up here. Unfortunately the Chiness are still without heavy ordnance, other warning, Spreckels fired. With the although they are daily expecting some. They seem to be quite sanguine about holding their own with the French. No doubt they have the great advant go of simply acting on the defensive, and they will avail themselves of every hill and rock, (of which there are plenty here) in the event of an

> We are enjoying splendid weather at present-no rain, which is something unusual for Tamsui at this season of the year. This is fortunate for the Chinese troops,

A fortnight ago, we heard that 600 troops (French) had landed at Keelung, part of a large contingent daily expected out from France. The Chinese say they are black men, possibly Algerine Turcos. They say that as soon as the reinforcements come out. the French will resume operations against this place; if so, we expect some hard fighting before Tamsui is taken.

> Police Intelligence. (Before H. E. Wodehouse, Esq.)

ALLEGED ASSAULT.

the tenderest sensibilities of the most regard was on his way from Canton to Swatow. fined human being. On the contrary, At about 6.30 this morning, when he was not been injured, bound up the wounds. communication to both his parents. He idleness; but she did that which every everything passed off in such a way that on board the s.s. Thules, he saw defendant death and burial seemed to be robbed of more take up the pillow box, now in Court, bethan half their horrors. When the furnace longing to him, and carry it away. He ran

> ALLEGED LARCENY. holder, value \$12, the property of Mr Guil-

Complainant was on the race course at Happy Valley on the 25th inst., at 1 p.m. and dispusting having been resolved into He laid down his eight holder on the bank their original elements. The deceased was where he was seated. On getting up and a man of six feet two inches in height and | walking away he forgot to pick it up, and well-proportioned, consequently his ashes on returning to the spot a minute or so after, he found the eight holder had disappeared. The two defendants were the only men near. He gave them in charge NEW YORK, November 19th.-Some of the of a constable, but the holder was not found

There being no further evidence to-day. the defendants were discharged.

SUPREME COURT. IN SUMMARY JURISDICTION.

Before the Hon. J. Russell, Puisne Judge. Tuesday, Dec. 30. TSUN FUNG v. CHPNG SHAU alia CHUN MUN SHUN \$147.36

TSUNG TSO v. SAME \$163.19 CHU YUNE SHING V. SAME \$509.97. Mr Mossop, of Messrs Dennys and Mos sop, appeared for the plaintiffs, and Mr Caldwell for the defendant. In these cases the plaintiffs, who are rice

dealers, claimed payment by the defendant of the above sum, being amount due to them for rice supplied to the defendant's shop, the Yik Shang. The defence set up was that the defendant never carried on busi ness under the name of Yik Shang and never received any rice from the plaintiffs After a great deal of evidence on bot sides had been heard. His Lordship gav udgment, for the plaintiffs in each case for the amounts claimed, with costs.

TIEMPTED ASSASSINATION THE PROPRIETOR OF SAN FRANCISCO 'CHRONICLE.'

On the evening of the 19th November, Mr H. de Young, proprietor of the San on to the wind and the torpedo fired. Francisco Chronicle, nurrowly escaped being | effect was very fine, the water being assassinated. We extract the following condensed account of the affair from the her bow. These experiments were made Chronicle:-

A more deliberate and determined attempt to murder was never made, and was only by the intervention of strong and friendly hands that Mr De Young was not killed on the very spot where his brother died a little more than three years ago. The only excuse for the assault to kill that can be imagined is the course which the Times. Chrowicle has taken in opposing the Hawaiian Reciprocity Treaty, which the firm of which Adolph B. Spreckels is a member was mainly instrumental in securing, and more lately of exposing the methods and pointing out the impending crash of the Hawaiian Commercial Company

At the time the shooting took place the business office was filled with clerks and other campleyes, ac that there were planty of ever-witnesses of the affair. According to his almost invariable custom M. H. de Young returned to the Chronicle building from attending to outside matters at 5.15 arm a package of children's books, walked quickly past the counter and opened the brass swinging gate separating the portion of the office occupied by the desks from that used by the subscribers and advertisers. Just inside the gate stands a double desk used by the bookkeepers, and Mr De Young had reached the farther corner of that when he heard himself called.

'Mr De Young! Mr De Young!' said He turned and saw that it was Adolph B. Spreckels, who had followed him into the office so quickly that the clerks supposed that the two had come in together. As Mr De Young turned, however, he saw that the visitor's purpose was not amicable. for the young man was holding up a revolver on a level with his eye and pointing it at him. Another instant, and without ansight of the flash Mr De Young felt a jar in the left side, and, running quickly by the end of the desk, tried to put it between himself and his assailant. dashed open the little gate, cocking his pistol as he came along, and, coming un in a few rapid strides to that corner of the desk at which Mr De Young had first stood, passed it and levelled hi weapon again. By thet time, however, Mr De Young had given up trying to get out of the way of his desperate pursuer. and on reaching the end of the third side of the desk he turned to grapple with the would-be murderer. As he did so his foot slipped and he fell forward in a half-stoon. ing posture. While in this helpless position Spreckels turned his pistol on him and fired the second shot. This time, in addition to actress Miss Fortescue, to recover damages the iar. Mr De Young felt a sharp sting in | for breach of promise of marriage from the left shoulder and at once realized that Lord Garmoyle, son of Earl Cairns. On he was hit then, if he had not been before, I the bench a number of ladics were ac-By this time the other occupants of the commodated with seats, and all the seats office were acting. At the sound of the in the galleries were occupied, for the most first shot a clerk named George W. Emerson. who was standing near the safe, jumped for Fortescue was present in one of the seats the counter drawer, where he knew a pistol | allotted to litigants.

both coolness and good temper. The se- mother and Miss Finney horself pressed

A later examination, made while Mr De | could not, however, at that time com- honest man and woman would approve of Young was under the influence of opiates, municate with Lord Cairns, who was ill and She said, "I must carn my bread, and showed that the shoulder joint was alightly abroad, but he immediately communicated must also as ist those who are dependent was sufficiently cool the crib was removed after defendant and caught him on the injured by one bullet, and that the with Lady Cairns and afterwards with Lord upon me. There is only one way open shoulder blade was badly shattered by the Cairns, who himself did not approve of the to me; and, like a brave woman with through it to the bottom (which is made of Defendant was sentenced to six months' other, which was not found, and its resting engagement which his son had made. Lady a large and generous heart, she resumed place proved a puzzle to the dectors. It Cairns, however, wrote with great kindness, her profession-resumed it with a sad was not expected that the result of the on the 17th of July, a letter which did heart for the decent support of herself and wound could be definitely determined every credit to her. The letter was ad- mother and sister. This was all that was Chan Achat and Chan Akat, coolies, were before the 23rd, the day after the mail left, dressed to Miss Finney, and she said, Dear necessary to be told in this matter. If he when the time for inflammation and pyemia Miss Finney, a name by which you will (continued the learned counsel) had words o set in would have arrived.

TORPEDO EXPERIMENTS IN CHINA.

On the 29th of August, last some intersting torpedo experiments were carried out on the river at Nankin, under the superintendence of Captain F. Harvey. R.N., torpedo instructor and marine surveyor attached to the naval school which has recently been established at Nankin, The experiments were made off the powder works in 12ft. of water and in close proximity to the city wall, which is about 50ft. high at this point. They consisted of trials of various kinds of torpedues, one large ground mine; containing 400lb. powder, one small ground mine containing taining 100lb. of powder, and one improvised spar torpedo containing 33lb. powder. Since the destruction of the Chinese men-of war at Foochow, which is supposed to have been effected by means of a spar torpedo, the mandarine have been the effects of the explosion of one of these weapons. The ground mines were arranged to fire only at will through about half a mile of cable. The circuit closer mine was arranged to fire either by contact or at will. Both the small ground mine and circuit closer with the result that large columns of water were thrown up from 80ft. to 100ft. high into the air. The large ground mine was not exploded as it was feared that fragments of manned by Captain Harvey, a Chinese assistant engineer. Mr. Mar. and two coolies. The torpedo was fixed to a spar thrown up to a great height. The result | to the sam-pan was only a slight injury to in the presence of the Chinese authorities. to whom they afforded great satisfaction. There were also present many hundreds of the inhabitants, who lined the city wall. Although the Chinese have considerable stores of gun-cotton and dynamite, only cun-powder was used in these experiments, each charge in the tornsdues being fired by a small detonated charge of dynamite.-

RUSSIA AND THE BOSPHOROUS.

Attention is being drawn to the pre-

tensions of Russia to use the Straits of the Bosphorus and the Dardanelles as military high roads for the despatch of Russia troops to Eastern Asia. This practice is a clear breach of the treaty, by which the straits ard closed for all military purposes. Under, cover of the merchant flag, large ships, which are practically war transports, have been passing down the Bosphorous from lescribed as recruits sent to fill gaps in the sickness and death. The Porte at the sincere, to this young lady. Miss Finney beginning questioned the right of these vessles to pass, but on receiving explanations allowed them to proceed. Now the Russian Government, with the evident view of increasing its naval and military forces in the of letters passed, though they saw one East, has intimated to the Porte its intention of despatching some of those large transports periodically to the same destination. The matter would seem to be important to British interests in the East, since, the Suez Canal being as much open to Russian ships as to those under our own flag, if the practice alluded to be allowed to become an established principle we shall have to consider Russia as possessing a far shorter sea routs to India than ourselves. Her Majesty's Government have, it understood, pointed out to the Porte the her. She addressed him as 'Dear Sweetpossible breach of neutrality thus contemplated. The Porte has proposed to the Russian authorities an arrangement by which the number of these so-called convicts and and recruits passing through the time; and further on she says, 'A ma straits shall not exceed 1,500 per annum. and previous notice of the intended passages shall be given. - London and China Express. | ness ' although she added, 'I know the

THE GARMOYLE BREACH OF PROMISE CASE.

The case of Finney v. Cairns (Garmoyle) came before Mr Justice Manisty and aspecial jury in the Queen's Bench Division of the High Court of Justice on Thursday 20th Nov. The action was brought by the well-known part, by members of the fair sex. Miss

lay, seized it, stepped quickly forward to Mr C. Russell, in stating the case for the desk, around which Mr De Young was the plaintiff, said that the action was hurrying in his race for life; and leveling brought to recover damages for breach of ended on the 21st of January. 1884. at Spreckels, fired almost simultaneously a promise of marriage; and the defendant. with Spreckels' shot, hitting him in the left in the course of the pleadings, admitted arm just above the elbow. A moment after that the plaintiff was entitled to recover Now, they had his letters full of affection J. P. Chesley, the cashier, ran from behind a verdict. Miss Finney was a young lady the rail that incloses his desk, and before who was born in the year 1859, and a good | the eve of that day. He visited Miss Finney Spreckels could fire the third shot, which many years ago her father went into a he was preparing to do, thrust his hand commercial business which resulted in over the hammer. As quickly as this is liquidation, and from that time Miss days - and was unremitting in his atten-Chrispiniano Gonsalves, a watchman, ap- written, Chesley was joined by J. A. Eliot, Finney had been certainly the principal, tions to the plaintiff, protesting the same apartments, one a reception or rather pre- peared on a summons charging him with the business manager, who flung his arms almost the sole support of her mother and love; affection, and admiration for her. paration room and the other containing the assaulting and beating a woman named around Spreckels' waist and then by J. M. her sister. She was educated by her On the 21st of January he left, without Reuck, another clerk who grappled him by father as a lady, and some time about giving Miss Finney or her friends any Complainant made a statement to the the collar. Spreckels struggled desperately 1880 or 1881 she obtained an introduction reason to suppose that his feelings towards ranged for its reception in the preparation effect that she was a single woman, living to get his pistol hand free, but the odds to Mr D'Oyly Carte, manager of the Sayoy room. Every one then withdrew except at No. 27 Tank Lane. At 8 p.m. on the were against him, and Officer Linville, com- Theatre, and also to Mr Gilbert and Mr He returned to Bournemouth, and on the coffin was opened; the body taken out, defendant, who lived next door, came up young man under arrest. Then Emerson the latter she obtained an engagement to Miss Finney with professions of love and disrobed and placed in a sheet saturated into her room and pulled her jacket and was arrested and the two were taken down play in some well-known pieces, and among respect on his lips he wrote the letter with a preparation of alum, intended to felt her pocket. She called out thief, and to the city prison by Linville, pushing their others in 'Patience,' which was composed he (Mr. Russell) would read if his learned She began with a small salary, but in a to read it, but for all necessary purposes he Taken of Mesars Falconer & Co.'s Premises, The body was then placed on what is called as the house was on fire. Defendant then When Mr De Young's upper garments, short time she obtained greater remunera- might state that Lord Garmoyle still prowere removed. It was seen that both bul- tion, and her salary rose until it became fessed the deepest love and the greatest bars, about four inches apart, running Complainant's boy gave evidence to the lets had reached their mark. The first, six guineas a week. Towards the end of admiration for her—still regarded her as a

cond hell had struck the shoulder in a line upon Lord. Garmoyle not only the de- was she then to do? She had abandoned

peared in the papers to the effect that they | the form of a verdict delivered by the jury were about to be married; and she was in open court. then put into communication with other | The Attorney General said that, with the 150lb. of powder, one of Captain M'Evoy's and among others to Mr. Herbert Cairns. | interpose with the view of bringing the case circuit closer buoyant contact mines con- In the next month of August Lord Garmoyle | to an immediate close. With reference to and also his mother had very strong had made upon the course adopted Ly this look upon it merely as a frivolous, but as would shrink from beginning an action of very anxious to see the manipulation and thereupon agreed to give up her career up considerations in this case which would jusmine were exploded at will from the shore, tion with her. So matters went on for extent in having brought this action, Tathe mine might be projected into the city his family went to a shooting-place of theirs tory by all parties—namely, the sum of The in Perthshire called Dunira, and in Sep- £10,000. Having said that much on the boat from which the spar torpedo was ex- tember Miss Finney was received as a guest subject of the damages, he wished to go was by Lord Cairns and by his family, and was further. Lord Garmoyle desired that it them the number of persons who were in throughout the whole of his engagement 40ft. long, which projected from the bows | the house, but it was right to say that Miss | with her, from the first inception of this Finney was introduced to the triends and matter to its termination, there was nothing members of the family; and she invited to in the course of conduct of Miss Finney but

ed that of Lord Cairns. Communications was also desirous of stating that in took place between I ady Cairns and Lord breaking off this engagement with her Garmoyle as to when the marriage was to as was in no way influenced by anything take place, for no definite time had been lone by or by any course of action adopted fixed. It was then pointed out by Lady by the lady, but by considerations personal Cairns to the plaintiff that Lord Garmoyle to himself alone. It was unnecessary for had passed through one examination only him to state what those consideration at Sandhurst, and that it was desirable that | were ; it would be sufficient for him to state he should complete his course there so as | that Lord Garmoyle believed that they imo have the profession of the army at his posed upon him a paramount duty to break command, which would give him an occu- off the marriage. Lord Garmoyle, howpation in life. It was, therefore, thought ever, though he felt himself b and by those desirable that there should not be any mar- considerations, was fully aware that they riago at present, in order that he might be afforded no answer to the present action or able to follow that career. Accordingly it to the just claim which the plaintiff had was then arranged that Lord Garmoyle placed before the jury. Therefore it was should return to Sandhurst and ntake efforts | that Lord Garmoyle had consented to the to pass his examination. This metter was | verdict for the sum he had mentioned, and mentioned by Miss Finney to her mother, he had on Lord Garmoyle's behalf added and her mother very naturally thought that | the statement he had made, which he trustthere was a great objection under any cir. ed the jury would regard as conceived in veinstances to a long protracted engagement | inything but an ungenerous spirit towards of this kind, and she so expressed her. Miss Finney. self to Lord Garmöyle. He then wrote Mr Justice Manisty said that the Atletter to Miss Finney, in which corney-General had made a noble statement time to time during the last two years, in language in every way worthy of a on behalf of Lord Garmoyle. The jury o clock. He entered the business office by nominally with Nihilists and other convicts, goutleman he left himself in the hands of would find a verdict for the plaintiff for Miss Finney and his mother in the matter, £10,000. Verdict for the plaintiff; damand repeating his professions of admiration ages, £10,000. garrisons on the Siberian coasts caused by and love, which no doubt were perfectly

replied that she had perfect trust in him, and did not desire that anything should be done that would mar his future in life; so he returned to Sandhurst, and a numb another more or less frequently. Garmoyle was not quite so keen about Sandhurst as his friends were in his terest, and Miss Finney appeared to have urged him very strongly to try to success in the end. There were a vast number of letters that he need not trouble them with at all; though he would mention that on the 15th of October 1883. Miss Finney wrote a letter, in reference to some very handsome presents that Lord Garmoyle had made to her or proposed to make to heart, ' and said : 'I wore your presents at dinner after you left; but I do want you to remember what I say when I beg you not to give me anything else for a littl must not be in the habit of thinking of woman that mere jewels make her happ are a kind of public witness to your affect tion for me.' And she alluded to hersel in these terms: 'You see I am not a mere brainless doll, but a loving woman. passed on, and at the end of 1883 it was arranged, by Lady Cairne's wish, that Mis Finney should pay Lord and Lady Cairns visit at their place at Bournemouth, in company with Lord Garmoyle. The visit

was to take place early in January, 1884, and Miss Finney was making preparations when, on the 3rd of January, 1884, she received from Lord Garmoyle a lotter in which he required her to put off her visit a little longer, on the ground that both his father and mother were not well. He need not say that Miss Finney at once yielded; and she went with her sister to stay a few days at Brighton, and there Lord Garmovle paid them a visit which and that was the Garmoyle ever paid to Miss Finney. and expressions of respect and love up to number of days with them-eight or nine her had undergone the slightest change. friend desired it; he did not himself desire acting in the interest and on the suggestion (the learned counsel) need not trouble

dream of her life had vanished. What

Wong Akin, a washerman, was convicted | with the clavicle, and glancing off the bone | sirability, but the propriety, of the matter | the stage at the request of Lord Garmoyle, report to be correct. There was not a of stealing a pillow box containing property had buried itself either under it or the being at once mentioned to his father and and in deference to the conscientions feelvestige of the body to be seen; there was to the value of \$200, the property of Fong scapula. At any rate Dr Black decided mother. It was but just and proper on the lings of Lord Garmoyle's friends and rethat it was better not to search for its part of Lord Garmoyle to say that he quite lations. Her sister also abandoned the calculated to shock in the slightest degree. Complainant stated that he is a soldier exact location at that time, and after satis- assented to the propriety of this course, like of the stage, and she had her mother fying himself that the shoulder-sucket had and that he did as soon as possible, make a to support. The might have led a life of very shortly not be any longer known. My of force and eloquence, which he did not son asked me this evening to write to you, pretend to, they were not needed in such v as his visit to Switzerland will delay a little case, because the strength of the plaintiff's time his seeing you; and afterwards she case could not be gainsaid. She came there trusted that God would grant his blessing before the jury, as she had felt bound to to them; 'but without God's blessing no | do, openly and before the public, that she life can be happy and no good can be might get by their verdick such a reparation attained; and I have only one wish, as in their judgment (if it became necessary, to make Lord Garmoyle absolutely and probably it would not, for them to deterthoroughly happy.' . Subsequently Lord mine the question) they might think just. Cairns repeated in substance what Lady Though the defendant and his friends were Cairns had said, and assented to the engage. | willing to make a money reparation, yet ment, and on the 20th of July Lord she felt it incumbent on her, out of respect Garmoyle wrote to Miss Finney in reference for herself and those connected with her, to runours and pargraphs which had ap- that whatever was done should be done in

> members of the family to whom she wrote, | permission of his lordship, he would at once explained to Miss Finney that his father the observations which his learned friend views upon the subject of the profession Finney in bringing this action, he desired to which she belonged—that they did not at once to say that whilst many persons an objectionable profession. Miss Finney breach of promise of marriage, there were on the stage. Nay, more, her sister had tify the plaintiff in seeking compensation, been preparing for the same profession, and and in bringing on her case for trial; and her sister also gave up her intended pur- although Lord Garmoyle had always offered, suit; and after this Lady Cairns talked with and had always been desirous of offering, the plaintiff, and on one occasion led her such compensation, there were certain reainto the library, where she had a conversa- sons that justified the lady to the fullests some time, Lord Garmoyle taking the lady king that view Lord Garmoyle now willingdown to some very near relations of his and ly agreed to a verdict which would give introducing Miss Finney to them as his Miss Finney such pecuniary compensation affianced wife. Later on Lord Cairns and as he trusted would be regarded as satisfacrecognized amongst all the family. He should be stated in open court that from would not trouble the jury by stating to his first acquaintance with Miss Finney, spend the day with Lord and Lady Ampt- what was becoming to a high-minded Enghill (as was understood), whose place adjoin. Lish gentlewoman; and Lord Garmoylo

LAUNCH OF A GREEK CRUISER.

The second of four small cruisers for the Hellenic Government was launched on the 20th November from the dockyard of the Thames Ironworks and Shipbuilding Company at Blackwall. This vessel is the Achelous, sister ship to the Alpheos, which was launched just a month since. These ships are intended to serve the double purpose of training sailors for the Greek navy and of providing for the defence of the seaboard. The Acheloos is 132ft. long between perpendiculars, 25ft. beam, with a depth of 14tt. 6in. to top of keel, and a displacement of 421 tons. Her armament will consist of two 9.6 contimetre Krupp gons mounted on Vavasseur carriages, and three five-barrel Nordenfelt guns. Her engines will be of 400-horse power, indicated, and are being made by Messrs T. A. Young and Son; she will be propelled by a feathering screw. Her engines are designed to give her a speed of 10 knots an hour. but she will carry a large spread of canvas, as it is intended that steam shall only be used on special occasions in order that the seamanship of both officers and crow may be fully developed and maintained. The launch of the Acheloes was successfully effected shortly before. 3 c'clock, the christening ceremony being performed by Madame Vagliano, who energetically dashed a bottle of Greek wine against her bows and named her.—Times.

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